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SEN. PRUSI APPLAUDS COMMUNITY AND MDOT EFFORT TO MAKE INTERSECTION SAFER

MDOT to place timed traffic-light at M-35 and 29th Street intersection

LANSING – State Senator Mike Prusi (D-Ishpeming) applauded today's Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) decision to place a timed traffic-light at the corner of M-35 and 29th street in Gladstone. Improvements set to begin in June will widen M-35 at 29th Street, allowing for passing and left turn lanes, and will include the addition of a "stop and go" traffic-light.

"MDOT's Superior Region staff clearly has a lot of expertise in making intersections safer," Sen. Prusi said. "I am pleased that they recognize the need to minimize traffic congestion and make the intersection safer, particularly in light of the area's recent growth."

Prusi has strongly supported the community and city efforts for traffic modifications at the intersection, particularly in light of the intersection's proximity to the high school and Cameron Elementary School.

There have been three fatal accidents over the past two years at the intersection. Citizens recently submitted more than 1,300 signatures to MDOT officials requesting that changes be implemented.

"I'm delighted with the MDOT response and their scheduled traffic plan," Prusi said. "I'm confident these improvements will be directly responsible for saving lives."

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Sen. Mike Prusi represents Michigan's 38th Senate District, which includes all Upper Peninsula counties west of Luce County. Prusi also serves as Democratic Vice Chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee.